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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF:

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January 29, 2013

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL AND CERTIFIED MAIL

Weyerhaeuser Company Attention: Richard Gay 810 Whittington Ave. Hot Springs, AR 71902

Re:

Plainwell Mill, Operable Unit #7, Allied Paper, Inc./Portage Creek/Kalamazoo River

Superfund Site -- RI/FS Project Schedule Letter dated January 14, 2013

Dear Mr. Gay:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has received your revised Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS) schedule for Plainwell Mill, Kalamazoo River Superfund Site Operable Unit #07 of the Allied Paper, Inc./Portage Creek/Kalamazoo River Superfund Site (Site), Plainwell, Michigan dated January 14, 2013 submitted by Conestoga-Rovers & Associates, Inc. (CRA), Weyerhaeuser Company's (Weyerhaeuser) environmental consultant. EPA approves your proposed schedule. This schedule amends the previous approved schedule dated June 10, 2011 and the previous schedule included in the November 20, 2009 Remedial Investigation/ Feasibility Study Work Plan for the former Plainwell, Inc. Mill Property and accompanying Statement of Work. Under this approved schedule, Weyerhaeuser Company agrees to incorporate Task 5: Identification of Remedial Action Objectives and Task 6: Development and Screening of Remedial Alternatives of the SOW into Task 7: Feasibility Study and must submit, among other things, the Plainwell Mill final RI Report on February 2, 2013 and the draft FS Report on June 3, 2013. If Weyerhaeuser fails to complete the activities identified in the approved schedule in a timely manner, stipulated penalties may apply.

If you have any questions or comments regarding this letter, please contact me at (312) 353-4150 or via email at desai.sheila@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

Sheila Desai

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